

**CHAPTER 145****DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE  
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80 of 2000.  
Act 10 of 2000.

*(Section 31(1))*

*[2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2000.]*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Short title.

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2. In the event of a threatened disaster alert under section 27 of the Act, the National Coordinator shall coordinate urgently the implementation of the Provisions of the National Disaster Preparedness Response Plan to meet the threatened disaster and in particular shall -

Duties of the  
National Coordinator  
in the event of a  
threatened disaster  
alert.

- (a) request the Chairman to convene the meeting of the National Advisory Committee required by Rule 1 (2) of that Committee's Rules of Procedure;
- (b) set in motion the procedures for informing the public of the state of threatened disaster alert and of the steps recommended to be taken by the public to meet the threatened disaster;
- (c) coordinate the preparations for meeting the threatened disaster of -

- (i) Ministries and Departments of

Government, statutory bodies, local government units and other public bodies.

- (ii) persons or organisations who or which volunteer to perform functions related to the mitigation of, preparedness for, response to and recovery from emergencies and disasters in Belize;
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- (d) set in motion the procedures for the manning of Emergency Operations Centres to meet the threatened disaster, including procedures for the protection of the family and property of persons required for the purpose of manning such centers or required otherwise to perform other duties of protecting the public;
- (e) set in motion the procedures for the release, distribution and replenishment of emergency stores of supplies of food, water, clothing and medical supplies to meet the threatened disaster; and
- (f) set in motion the procedures for the provision of shelter during the threatened disaster alert.

Duties of liaison officers in the event of a threatened disaster alert.

3. The liaison officer under section 11 of the Act for every Ministry and Department of Government shall in the event of the threatened disaster alert provide the National Coordinator promptly with such information as the

National Coordinator requests on the state of preparedness of the Ministry or Department, as the case may be, to meet the threatened disaster.

4. (1) The National Coordinator shall for the duration of the threatened disaster alert - Prime Minister to be kept informed.

(a) keep the Prime Minister provided with current reports on the state of implementation of the National Disaster Preparedness Response Plan to meet the threatened disaster; and

(b) monitor the progress of the disaster threat so as to provide the Prime Minister with the earliest possible recommendation that the conditions have escalated to the point where a declaration of a disaster emergency was appropriate or that the alert should be ended as the case may be.

(2) A recommendation in subregulation (1) (b) is not binding on the Prime Minister.

5. Every public officer shall co-operate with the National Coordinator in the discharge of any responsibilities assigned to that officer under the National Disaster Preparedness Response Plan and in the implementation of the procedures under that plan for the Ministry or Department of Government in which that public officer serves. Functions of Public Officers.

6. These Regulations shall come into force on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2000. Commencement.

**MADE** by the Minister responsible for Disaster Preparedness this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2000.

**(SAID W. MUSA)**

*Prime Minister and Minister*

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